

## Message Text

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ACTION SY-05

INFO OCT-01 EA-10 ISO-00 SYE-00 /016 W  
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O R 120401Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK  
TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA IMMEDIATE  
AMCONSUL HONG KONG  
AMEMBASSY MANILA  
SECSTATE WASHDC 2931

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JAKARTA FOR RSO FROM OIC/RTC

HONG KONG FOR RTC/RSS

MANILA FOR TSO

DEPARTMENT FOR SY/OPS/T

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FOR BELGIAN AMBASSADOR

REF: JAKARTA 4317 (NOTAL)

1. DEEPLY REGRET DELAY IN PROVIDING IMMEDIATE ANSWER TO REFTEL.  
WISH TO ADVISE THAT ANY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED  
TO PERFORM WORK IN FOREIGN MISSION MUST BE APPROVED BY SY. IN  
THIS REGARD THIS OFFICE WILL REPEAT YOUR TELEGRAM TO SY/OPS/T  
FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION. HOWEVER, ON THE SURFACE IT APPEARS  
THAT THE PROBLEM MAY LIE IN A SLIGHT MISALIGNMENT OF THE WHEELS  
AND PERHAPS A SLIGHT MANIPULATION TECHNIQUE CAN CONCEIVABLY  
BE USED TO OPEN THE CONTAINER. THEREFORE THE OIC SUGGESTS THE  
FOLLOWING METHODS BE USED CONTINGENT UPON APPROVAL FROM  
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THE DEPARTMENT. SINCE THE COMBINATION IS REPORTED TO  
HAVE BEEN SET ON 50-25-50, IT IS USGGESTED THAT THE FIRST  
COMBINATION BE RUN AS FOLLOWS:

- (A) 49 1/2 - 25 - 50 - 0
- (B) 50 1/2 - 25 - 50 - 0
- (C) 50 - 24 1/2 - 50 - 0
- (D) 50 - 25 1/2 - 50 - 0

(E) 50 - 25 - 49 1/2 - 0

(F) 50 - 25 - 50 1/2 - 0

AFTER RETURNING THE DIAL TO ZERO ON EACH OF THESE OCCASIONS,  
PLEASE FOLLOW THE SET PROCEDURE OF PUSHING THE DIAL IN AND  
CONTINUING THE ROTATION.

2. IF THE ABOVE PROCEDURE FAILS, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU  
TRY ONE COMPLETE NUMBER OFF OF EACH OF THE NUMBERS AS INDI-  
CATED IN THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH. IF EITHER OF THESE TECHNIQUES  
FAILS TO PROVIDE OPENING OF THE LOCK, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT  
THE TROUBLE PROBABLY LIES ELSEWHERE. IN THIS REGARD, YOU  
MAY WISH TO CONSULT WITH THE BELGIAN MISSION AND DETERMINE  
THAT THE REAR COVER OF THE LOCK WAS, IN FACT, REPLACED  
PRIOR TO CLOSING THE DOOR TO THE SAFE. AS A FURTHER ALTERNA-  
TIVE RATHER THAN RESORTING TO POSSIBLY DRILLING THE SAFE,  
IT IS USGGESTED THAT WHEN THE COMBINATION IS RUNG ON EACH  
NUMBER AND RETURNED TO ZERO, THE MALLET SHOULD BE USED TO  
LIGHTLY TAP AN AREA APPROXIMATELY THREE INCHES ABOVE THE  
LOCK DIAL BEFORE PROCEEDING TO TURN THE DIAL FROM ZERO  
TO 86. THERE IS A REMOTE POSSIBILITY THAT THE DROP  
LEVER MAY HAVE BECOME "STUCK" AGAINST THE LOCK CASE  
WHICH HAS BEEN KNOWN TO HAPPEN ON MANY OCCASIONS.

3. APRIL 13 IS A LEGAL HOLIDAY IN THAILAND; HOWEVER, THE  
OIC AND RSS WILL BE WORKING DURING EHE MORNING AND IT  
IS UNDRSTOOD THAT THE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION WILL  
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PROBABLY BE IN OPERATION UNTIL 1300 HOURS. THEREFORE,  
IT WILL BE APPRECIATED IF YOU WOULD ADVISE THIS OFFICER  
BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM OF ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
THAT YOU MAY HAVE CONCERNING THIS SUBJECT. PLEASE BE  
SURE TO ALSO INFO HONG KONG, MANILA, AND THE DEPARTMENT.  
AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT THE OIC IS RELUCTANT TO SEND  
TSO BRANDT TO JAKARTA IN VIEW OF THE EXTREMELY HEAVY  
WORK SCHEDULE HE HAS BOTH FOR TAIPEI AND FOR MANILA.  
HOWEVER, WILL LEAVE THIS DECISION TO SY FOR FINAL  
AUTHORITY.  
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